

Maritime Administration, DOT

§ 310.53

U.S.C. 1114(b) and 1295-1295g); 49 CFR 1.66 (46 FR 47458, September 28, 1981).

SOURCE: 47 FR 21812, May 20, 1982, unless otherwise noted.

§ 310.50 Purpose.

The regulations in this subpart govern the nomination, admission and appointment of midshipmen to the United States Merchant Marine Academy,

§ 310.51 Definitions.

(a) *Academy* means the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

(b) *Act* means the Maritime Education and Training Act of 1980, Pub. L. 96-453, 94 Stat. 1997, 46 U.S.C. 1295-1295g.

(c) *Administration* means the Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

(d) *Administrator* means the Administrator of the Maritime Administration.

(e) *Citizen* means an individual who, by birth or naturalization, owes national allegiance to the United States, but the term excludes United States nationals.

(f) *Foreign student* means an individual who owes national allegiance to a country or political entity other than the United States, and the term includes United States nationals.

(g) *NOAA* means the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(h) *USNR* means the United States Naval Reserve.

§ 310.52 General.

(a) Midshipmen are appointed to the Academy for training to prepare them to become officers in the U.S. merchant marine. The Academy, located at Kings Point, New York, is maintained by the Government as a part of the Administration. After successful completion of the 4-year course of study, a graduate of the Academy shall receive a Bachelor of Science degree and a merchant marine license as either a third officer or third assistant engineer (or both licenses upon completion of a special curriculum and passing the re-

spective license examinations) issued by the U.S. Coast Guard. If qualified, a graduate may be commissioned as an officer in a reserve component of an armed force of the United States.

(b) Midshipmen entering the Academy after April 1, 1982, are required by the Act to sign an agreement committing them to service obligations following the date of graduation. The terms of the service obligation contract are set forth in § 310.58 of this subpart.

§ 310.53 Nominations and vacancies.

(a) *Nominating officials.* (1) Each Senator and Member of the House of Representatives (including delegates from Guam, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico), the Panama Canal Commission, the Governor of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Delegate to the House of Representatives from American Samoa may nominate ten (1) candidates to compete for admission to the Academy.

(2) In accordance with the Act (46 U.S.C. 1295b (b)(1)), nominating officials may only nominate candidates who are residents of the State or other geographic area which the particular nominating official represents, as follows:

The candidate must be a resident of—	To be nominated by—
The State	A Member of the U.S. Senate representing that State.
The State	A Member of the U.S. House of Representatives whose Congressional District is located in that State.
Guam	The Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives representing Guam.
Virgin Islands	The Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives representing the Virgin Islands.
District of Columbia	The Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives representing the District of Columbia.
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.	The Resident Commissioner to the United States from Puerto Rico.
American Samoa	The Delegate to the House of Representatives representing American Samoa.